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SUBJECT: ENERGY AGREEMENT: TEMPORARY GROUP OF EXPERTS ON
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FOR SCIENCE COUNSELOR

1. US SIDE OF QUOTE TEMPORARY JOINT GROUP OF EXPERTS ON
ENERGY INFORMATION AND FORECASTING UNQUOTE WILL CONSIST
OF: CLEMENT B. MALIN, CHAIRMAN, DEPUTY ASSISTANT ADMINIS-
TRATOR INTERNATIONAL ENERGY AFFAIRS FEA; MILTON KOVNER,
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MARION V. CREEKMORE, OFFICE OF FUELS AND ENERGY, DEPT OF

STATE; AND BRUCE M. EVERETT, INTERNATIONAL ENERGY AFFAIRS
FEA.

2. US SIDE CONSIDERS THAT MEETING OF GROUP IN ADVANCE OF
SECOND JOINT COMMITTEE (JC) MEETING IS ESSENTIAL IN ORDER--
AS STATED IN RECORD OF FIRST JC MEETING--TO "PREPARE RECOM-
MENDATIONS FOR POSSIBLE PROJECTS IN FIELD OF ENERGY
INFORMATION AND FORECASTING FOR CONSIDERATION AND APPROVAL
AT NEXT MEETING OF JOINT COMMITTEE." WE PROPOSE THEREFORE
TO MEET WITH SOVIETS IN MOSCOW IN MARCH, IN KEEPING WITH
NEPOROZHNIY'S GENERAL SUGGESTION FOR EXPERTS' MEETINGS
(REFTEL A). WE ENVISAGE FOUR-FIVE DAY MEETING WHICH
WOULD REVIEW AND DEFINE PROJECTS PROPOSED BY US SIDE AT
FIRST JC MEETING (APPENDIX 5C OF RECORD OF MEETING) AS
ELABORATED ON IN PARA 5 OF REFTTEL B, AND OTHERS. WE WOULD,
OF COURSE, BE PREPARED ALSO TO DISCUSS ANY SUGGESTIONS
SOVIETS MAY HAVE, SO THAT JOINT GROUP OF EXPERTS COULD
PRESENT SPECIFIC RECOMMENDATIONS TO SECOND JC MEETING. IF
SOVIETS ARE AMENABLE TO EXPERTS' MEETING IN MOSCOW, US SIDE
WOULD WELCOME OPPORTUNITY TO BREAK UP DISCUSSIONS WITH
VISITS TO SOME APPROPRIATE INSTITUTIONS, E. G., GOSPLAN
FUELS/ENERGY DEPT., GOSPLAN MAIN COMPUTER CENTER, CENTRAL
STATISTICAL ADMINISTRATION, KRZHYZHINOVSKIY ENERGY
INSTITUTE, OR ANY OTHERS SOVIETS MAY WISH TO SUGGEST.

3. PLEASE INFORM STOLYAROV, MINPOWER, OF ABOVE DESIGNA-
TIONS AND REQUEST DESIGNATION OF SOVIET MEMBERSHIP FOR
GROUP OF EXPERTS ASAP. ALSO WOULD APPRECIATE PRELIMINARY
SOVIET REACTION TO MARCH MEETING PROPOSAL TO FACILITATE
PLANNING HERE. KISSINGER

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